THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Total number of officers belonging to IAS serving at the Centre under the Central Staffing Scheme as on 30th June, 1999, 2000 and 2001 was 714, 769 and 800 respectively and total number of officers belonging to other All India and Group "A" Central Services was 643, 698 and 776 respectively for the period under reference.

(b) The data/information on number of officials holding Group "B" "C" & "D" posts under Government of India for the period as on 1999, 2000 and 2001 is compiled by D/Expenditure (Pay Research Unit). The latest information, available only for 1 year *i.e.* as on 31.3.1999, is given below:

Group "B" Gazetted	=	89736,
Group B Non-Gazetted	=	83535,
Group C Non-Gazetted	=	2355118 and
Group D Non-Gazetted	=	1098080.

(c) As per the information made available by the D/Expenditure, approximately 1.83 lakh posts pertaining to different groups have been abolished in pursuance of a decision taken in 1992 to enforce the 10% cut across the board in the number of sanctioned posts as on 1.1.1992.

Out of the 52 posts of Joint Secretaries and 194 of Joint Secretary equivalent level respectively identified for abolition in 1993, 38 posts of Joint Secretary in various Ministries and 97 posts of Joint Secretary equivalent level have been abolished so far.

In the recent past, 4 Departments, namely, D/Programme Implementation, D/ Industrial Development, D/Sugar and Edible Oils and the D/Supply have been abolished/merged. In addition, the Departments of Telecom Services and Telecom Operations have been corporatised w.e.f. 1st October, 2000. As a result of this, 4 posts of Secretary have been abolished. One Secretary level post has also been abolished in the M/Finance. In addition, 2 posts of the level of Secretary and 1 post of the level of Joint Secretary have been abolished in Cabinet Secretariat during the period from March, 2000 to June, 2001.

Delay in results of examinations conducted by SSC

2697. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Combined Main (Graduate Level) Examination, 1999 was held in January, 2000 by the Staff Selection Commission and the interviews were held in March, 2001;

(b) whether the results of the said examination is yet to be declared;

(c) if so, the reasons for taking such a long-time in announcing the results;

(d) whether UPSC conducts Civil Services Examination every year and the results for the same are announced within a year; and

(e) if so, why SSC can not adopt the same practice in announcing results of its various examinations, thereby saving valuable time of the candidates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Yes, Sir. The examinations and interviews were conducted for Scheme-A (Assistants Grade, Inspectors of Central Excise/Income Tax, etc., Sub Inspectors of CPOs/CBI and Scheme—B Divisional Accountants/Auditors/UDC, etc.).

(b) The results of the written examination under Scheme-A were declared on 26.12.2000. The final results in respect of Sub Inspectors in Central Police Organisations have been declared on 26.7.2001. The final results of the remaining categories in the Scheme-A have not been declared.

(c) The Combined Graduate Level Examination was held by the Staff Selection Commission for the first time. There were some initial difficulties leading to delay in declaration of the final result.

(d) The final results of the Civil Services Examination conducted by Union Public Service Commission are usually declared within one year of the date of holding the Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination.

(e) SSC is making all efforts to declare the results of all examinations within a period of one year from the date of examination.

Tribals in Government Offices

2698. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of reserved posts meant for tribals in Government/PSU's are not filled up in various categories;

(b) if so, the details thereof; department-wise and year-wise, alongwith the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is still discrimination in selection of tribals for various posts; and

(d) if not, the reasons for educated tribals still not employed on vacant Government posts?

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